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SUBJECT: WEST GERMAN VIEWS ON ENERGY CONFERENCE

OFFICIALS IN THE WEST GERMAN FINANCE MINISTRY HAVE CAUTIONED AGAINST OVERLY OPTIMISTIC EXPECTATIONS ABOUT WHAT CAN COME FROM THE WASHINGTON ENERGY CONFERENCE, SUGGESTING BONN MAY FEEL THE AGENDA IS TOO AMBITIOUS. THE GERMANS HAVE VOLUNTEERED THE FOLLOWING:

--IT IS IMPORTANT TO STRIVE FOR AN AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE
ON SUBSTANTIVE MATTERS.

3 --THE LDCS AND OIL PRODUCING COUNTRIES MUST BE BROUGHT
2 INTO CONSULTATIONS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

1 --EXISTING INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS SHOULD BE USED

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